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RESPONSE & AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants now respond to the Office Action of 4 September 2008 and respectfully quest entry of the following Remarks and Amendments into the record. Also enclosed herewith is a petition for a two (2) month extension of the shortened statutory period set by the Examiner and authorization to charge the required fee to the indicated deposit account.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.